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NEWS RELEASE**



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**2012/13 SOUTHEAST ALASKA COMMERCIAL SEA CUCUMBER
FISHERY ANNOUNCEMENT**

Sitka.... The Alaska Department of Fish and Game announced today the following information concerning the commercial harvest of sea cucumbers in Southeast Alaska during the 2012/13 season:

The following areas will be closed for the remainder of the 2012/13 season:

District 1:

Tree Point – (Subdistricts 101-10, 11);

District 2:

Kasaan Bay and Skowl Arm – (Subdistrict 102-60);

District 6:

Snow Pass – (Subdistrict 106-30);

District 12:

Western portion of Tenakee Inlet – (Subdistricts 112-43, 44, 45, 46, 47, and 48).

The following area will be open from 8:00 a.m. to 11:00 a.m., Monday, October 29, 2012:

District 2:

Cleveland Peninsula – (Subdistrict 102-80);

The following areas will be open from 8:00 a.m. to 12:00 noon, Monday, October 29, 2012:

District 1:

West Behm Canal – (Subdistricts 101-90 and 101-95);

District 13:

Salisbury Sound and Peril Strait – (Subdistricts 113-62, 63, 64, 65, and 66).

The following areas will be open from 8:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m., Monday, October 29, 2012:

District 2:

Lower Clarence Strait – (Subdistrict 102-20);

District 12:

Eastern portion of Tenakee Inlet – (Subdistricts 112-41, 42).

The following area will be open from 8:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m., Monday, October 29, and from 8:00 a.m. to 9:00 a.m., on Tuesday, October 30, 2012:

District 12:

Chatham Strait and Kelp Bay – (Subdistricts 112-11, 21, and 22);

The following areas will be open from 8:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m., Monday, October 29, and from 8:00 a.m. to 12:00 noon on Tuesday, October 30, 2012:

District 3:

Long Island and upper Cordova Bay – (Subdistricts 103-21 and 30);

Hetta Inlet, Nutkwa Inlet, and Keete Inlet – (Subdistricts 103-23 and 25);

San Christoval Channel, western San Alberto Bay, and Trocadero Bay – (Subdistricts 103-60 and 103-70-002);

Districts 5 and 9:

Port Camden – (Subdistricts 109-43 and 105-32).

For a description of the above areas please refer to the September 14, 2012 sea cucumber fishery news release announcing the open areas and their GHL's. The next news release following this opening will be available on the afternoon of **Thursday, November 1, 2012.**

The Emergency Order corresponding with this announcement is EO 1M2612.

2012-2013 Southeast Alaska Sea Cucumber Fishery				
Area Description	Statistical Area(s)	GHL	Harvest to Date (lbs)	Remaining GHL
Tree Point	101-10,11	150,100	169,172	CLOSED
Percy Islands	101-25	90,600	108,034	CLOSED
West Behm	101-90,95	85,100	50,491	34,609
Clarence Strait	102-20	45,700	4,346	41,354
Kasaan Bay/Skowl Arm	102-60	382,000	374,914	CLOSED
Cleveland Peninsula	102-80	24,300	11,777	12,523
Long Is./Cordova Bay	103-21,30	48,300	-	48,300
Hetta/Nutkwa Inlet	103-23,25	155,000	19,665	135,335
San Christoval/Trocadero	103-60,70-002	61,500	37,159	24,341
Snow Pass	106-30	189,900	202,180	CLOSED
Port Camden	109-43,105-32	14,900	***	***
Chatham/Kelp Bay	112-11,21,22	69,600	46,145	23,455
E. Tenakee Inlet	112-41,42	35,700	***	***
W. Tenakee Inlet	112,43-48	68,300	68,183	CLOSED
Salisbury/Peril Strait	113-62-66	55,000	***	***
Totals		1,476,000	880,134	595,866

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